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Attorney Docket No.	Jessen 7-1-4-75903-023
First Inventor	Jessen, Scott
Title	Mask Layer and Interconnect Structure for Dual Damascene Semiconductor Manufacturing
Express Mail Label No.	ET 145993423 US

APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

1. Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)
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2. Applicant claims small entity status.
See 37 CFR 1.27.
3. Specification [Total Pages **14**]
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 - Cross Reference to Related Applications
 - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
 - Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix
 - Background of the Invention
 - Brief Summary of the Invention
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 - Detailed Description
 - Claim(s)
 - Abstract of the Disclosure
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(for continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed)

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9. Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
10. 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement Power of (when there is an assignee) Attorney
11. English Translation Document (if applicable)
12. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 Copies of IDS Citations
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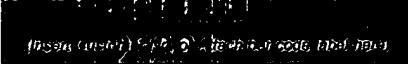
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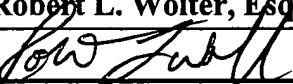
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103 18	203 9	Claims in excess of 20		
102 78	202 39	Independent claims in excess of 3		
104 260	204 130	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid		
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139 130	139 130	Non-English specification	
147 2,520	147 2,520	For filing a request for ex parte reexamination	
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115 110	215 55	Extension for reply within first month	
116 380	216 190	Extension for reply within second month	
117 870	217 435	Extension for reply within third month	
118 1,360	218 680	Extension for reply within fourth month	
128 1,850	228 925	Extension for reply within fifth month	
119 300	219 150	Notice of Appeal	
120 300	220 150	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
121 260	221 130	Request for oral hearing	
138 1,510	138 1,510	Petition to Institute a public use proceeding	
140 110	240 55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
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142 1,210	242 605	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
143 430	243 215	Design issue fee	
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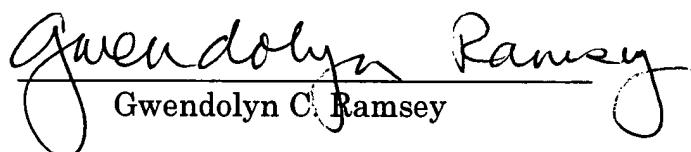
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